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Applicant:

Kevin Michael Ruppelt et al.

Group No.: 3625

Serial No .:

09/480,344

Filed:

January 10, 2000

Examiner: Rosen, Nicholas D.

For:

METHOD AND APPARATUS

FOR PRODUCT SELECTION

ASSISTANCE

Mail Stop: Amendment **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is:

Amendment Transmittal (3 pgs.), in duplicate Amendment in response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2006 (21 pages) Return receipt postcard

STATUS

2. **Applicant**

claims small entity status. is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proce apply.	eedings herein are for a patent app	lication and the provisi	ons of 37 C.F.R. 1.136							
	(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)									
(a)	Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)									
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	first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00							
	second month	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00							
	third month	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 510.00							
	fourth month	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00							
	fifth month	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00							
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows: